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SCHOOL IDEALS FIRST!

We have all looked forward to the time when we should have a real school paper, but because of financial reasons it has seemed impossible.

Through the efforts of the Journalism section, which is an activity of the Aug. '22 Good English Club, our dreams of a school paper, I think will soon be realized, provided everyone is satisfied to start with mimeographed copies. The girls on the Journalism staff have worked hard to make this paper a success, and I take this opportunity to congratulate them on the work accomplished.

Now, what we want is to have the entire school enter into this activity. These people have started the work, and so why not have representatives of each class join them, reorganize and enlarge the staff, and then start working on a school paper. If such good work as produced by one class, imagine the result that will be produced by the combined efforts of all classes. Let us enter this Student Body activity of Journalism with "pep", good will and all-round school spirit. With these thoughts in mind, there should be no reason for us not laying the very best kind of school paper. Let's all try to make the next issue a real all-college paper, bigger, and thoroughly representative.

ALICE F. GIBSON,
President, Student Body.

SWIMMING CLUB DINES.

Girls interested in swimming enjoyed a delightful dinner party at the beach after the regular swim-

ming practice last Thursday. The purpose of the gathering was to organize the Swimming Club. An entire restaurant was reserved for the girls, who were chaperoned by Miss Hale, Miss Ward and other members of the Faculty.

HELP THE LIBRARY.

Watch for the posters in the Library! You can't miss the bright orange. No librarian can run a library without the co-operation of all students. Let's help make this library the most helpful one on the coast!

Read the posters. Read! Reflect! Remember!

MISS DOLD HAS RESIGNED.

Miss Margaret Dold, the librarian, has resigned her position because of ill health. Miss Dold was an enthusiastic co-worker with the students. We regret that she is leaving and wish her good health in the future.

HALLOWE'EN DANCE.

Good music, artistic decorations, refreshments, and an enthusiastic crowd were the characteristics of an informal Hallowe'en dance given in our gym on Wednesday afternoon, November 1st. All cares and tribulations were danced away to the syncopation of our inimitable jazz band. It was, undoubtedly, the most enjoyable dance of the term, and we hope to have others equally successful.

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JUNIOR DRAMATIC CLUB.

"Why the Chimes Ring", a Christmas play by Elizabeth McFadden, will be presented by the Junior Dramatic Club December 13th. Everyone is invited to attend the performance. The Junior Dramatic Club, under the direction of Miss Plotkins, is a self-governed, self-disciplined organization of pupils of the training school. Miss Patricia Dawson is the present chairman. The pupils hold their own tryouts and choose their own casts.

On October 12th the club presented "Columbus", a play worked out by the pupils themselves, Patricia Dawson having written the scene in Isabella's court. The pupils caught the feeling of Columbus and portrayed the spirit of the play to such a degree that the whole audience was moved.

!!WELCOME TO OUR SCHOOL!!

The girls who entered our school in October are welcomed most cordially by the members of the English Club. You have come to a wonderful school, actuated by a noble purpose. May you attain here your aspirations and may you grasp the myriad opportunities presented to you here. In the name of the English Club, I welcome you.

MARGARET C. BEAVER.

KINDERGARTENERS HAVE PARTY.

Friday, October 27th, the children of the kindergarten held a Halloween party to which the mothers were invited. Yellow curtains decorated the windows, Jack O'Lanterns lighted the tables, and other symbols of Halloween ornamented the room. Miss Kenagy and her assistants had hidden peanuts in odd corners, and after hunting for and finding these, the children had refreshments. Each shared his peanuts with his mother and with friends who had proved to be poor hunters. After a jolly sing-song

all put on their wraps and departed homeward, happily.

OPEN FORUM.

The Open Forum section has been formed and is now a part of the Club. Since the effort has been made to establish so helpful a section, beneficial to us and to the school, we should make it a big part of our Club. In the Open Forum we shall take up debating, public speaking and the conduct of meetings. But please don't think for a moment that such work will be "cut and dry". We intend to make it vital and interesting.

How many of us know what is going on outside of our school walls? Here is an opportunity to learn to be alert to the increasing economic and political questions both here and over-seas.

How many of us know of the movement to eliminate class study, literature in the public schools? What do you think about it? Again, here is your opportunity to express yourselves and to air opinions which are literally bubbling within you.

At present, the section is small. In order to make the Open Forum larger, more interesting and more successful, we must have more girls join it.

It was made for you and its doors are open to you. Join the Open Forum.

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

Students not living at home and not expecting to go home for Thanksgiving, please leave their names with Miss Ward.

CALENDAR.

Thanksgiving Holidays: November 29-December 4.

School closes December 15.

Re-opens January 2nd.

Visiting week, January 3-10.

New Section opens January 11.

Section closes April 13.

USE THE QUESTION BOX.

Use the question box! This box can become one of the biggest factors in keeping alive the interest of the English Club, but the only objection so far is that it isn't used. Where are all those suggestions, jokes, jingles? They should be in the question box, but Miss Hatcher, chairman of the committee in charge, reports that few people have made use of it so far. Get to work!

THE IDEALS OF THE ENGLISH CLUB.

When the Juniors of the S.F.S.T.C. organized the English Club they started something really worth while. Of course, the real ideal of our Club is to make the pupils of this school famous for their good English, and if we are to realize this ideal we must work. But that statement does not mean that our club is to be all work, because we are going to have our entertainments and good times, too. The different sections, Dramatics, Literature, and Debating and Journalism, have consented to entertain us from time to time, and through the kindness of Miss Barrows we have already had some speakers of real worth. However, no movement of this kind can live without co-operation, and that means that if any one of us has any particular talent, she should tell the leaders of the various groups. Of course, modesty is very praiseworthy, but we don't want too much modesty to ruin our club; therefore, if you are experienced, able, or only interested in any of the club's various activities, please let us know.

RUTH DALEY.

Heard Everywhere.

He-What school are you attending?
She-State Teachers College.

He-You're not going to be a teacher, are you?

KEEP GROUNDS CLEAN.

The S.F.S.T.C. may feel justly proud of her beautiful site which overlooks the city. We might almost spell it "sight". Why? Because, sad to say, papers, waste from lunches, and other refuse are thrown here and there at random.

Perhaps we throw them unintentionally or do not think about it. Perhaps it is because we see other rubbish in some little nook, so that we think that it is right to add more. But is it? Foolish question, for ash-cans answer it at every turn.

One often sees members of the faculty stop to pick up some waste paper or other rubbish. It is not their task to perform such duties. Yes, there are janitors, but they have enough to do in discharging their regular duties. This job is not theirs; it is ours, the students; for we alone are guilty of making the clutter which must be cleaned away. Yet we have no time to pick up rubbish. Of course! But we have plenty of time to prevent its having to be picked up, haven't we? Ever hear that old saying about "an ounce of prevention"? Then let's use it.

Let's make it a point to keep our school grounds clear of all rubbish. Let each girl put this into practice. Let us do it at once; and--presto! Our grounds will clean without being cleaned, tidy without being tidied, no longer a "sight", but a site to be proud of.

And Willie Did.

Willie had almost finished his reading lesson, when he came to a word he could not pronounce.

"Barque", prompted the teacher. Willie looked at his classmates and grinned.

"Barque, Willie!" exclaimed the teacher harshly.

Willie, looking up at the teacher, finally cried out: "Bow-wow!"

KATHLEEN NORRIS SPEAKS.

The English Club was tremendously honored and greatly flattered to have the famous author, Mrs. Kathleen Norris, as its speaker Thursday, October 26th. Laura Goodwin of Section "C" introduced her so well that she was complimented by Mrs. Norris.

Of special interest was Mrs. Norris' account of her own struggles as a girl in San Francisco. Her youth was a constant battle to rear her younger orphan brothers and sisters as well as to realize her own ambitions. She worked behind the counter in the White House, sold hammers in a hardware store, and acted as secretary, companion and nursemaid, and, what endears her to us, she taught school for two years. The one message she impressed upon the girls is that "you know best what you can do no matter what other people say"; that "apparent success is the camouflage which youth throws around life". The motto which she wishes the girls to remember is "character if fate".

Mrs. Norris said that she hates the platform; that as she "has a place in the sun she doesn't want it in the spotlight". The only reason she has consented to lecture is that through her personal experiences and convictions she feels that there is no compromise on the alcohol question.

She concluded by passing on to the girls her motto "Temperance"--temperance, not only in the modern sense, but in all things.

FAVORITE SAYINGS.

Mr. Augsburg--The poor blackboard feels so lonesome to-day!
Mr. Boulware--Now watch Mr. Boulware!
Dr. Rypins--It's all in the point of view.
Miss Ward--You may come in now.

EDITORIAL.

The Vigilante, as the organ of the English Club, stands for the pure and beautiful use of the English language. It hopes to encourage the activities of the club by publishing its work and supporting its undertakings.

But it must accomplish other things also. The Vigilantes did a great work in the history of California, and especially of San Francisco. They established law and peace where was lawlessness and turmoil, because of the madness of the search for gold. We are all searching for knowledge, for excellence in our chosen profession. Let us stop to see ourselves reflected in a school paper, to see what our neighbor is doing, so that we may gain inspiration from this work, for that is the big mission of a school paper -- to make known accomplishments which would otherwise pass unnoticed, but which can be great inspirations in the lives of others.

Let this be our big aim!

Since the Vigilante was prepared for the mimeograph, the Student Body has organized a SCHOOL PAPER. The Vigilante will therefore no longer appear as an English Club paper, but will give place to a much larger and better project.

Let the English Club members enter with spirit into the work on the school paper.

Because of unavoidable circumstances the two cuts prepared for this paper have had to be omitted.

FAVORITE SAYINGS.

Miss Vance--Are your cards up to date?
Mrs. McKay--That's right, isn't it?
Miss Casebolt--Face the audience!
Miss Levy--Is anyone looking?

DRAMATICS.

Each one of us is very proud of our English Club. Merely having organized it is an accomplishment worthy of much praise. But now, what are we going to do to better our Club?

A few weeks ago we organized several different groups. By far the largest is the dramatic section; therefore it ought to be able to do the greatest amount of work. But before we who are in this group can accomplish all this, we must consider several questions.

What kind of dramatics are we going to work on? Do we want to present to our class mere stunts,--common, cheap vaudeville skits? This type of thing was noticed at our recent rally, and although it was successful and displayed some of the school talent, is that the kind of thing we want? We want to present to our class plays of distinction, plays good morally as well as dramatically.

How are we going to get these good plays? Good plays are hard to find in this modern age. Some of us are original and can work out some clever plays. Others may watch out for productions that can be suggested to our section. There is work here for all who believe that our College should be different -- not merely different, but exceptional.

PRONUNCIATION.

We are, striving to perfect our English, to learn to use the proper words in the proper places, and to increase our vocabularies. But we must also learn the correct formation of the different sounds which form words, because that is the basis of good English pronunciation. In this issue we shall make clear the NG sound.

The Story of NG Sound.

Once upon a time there was a sound called NG. It was a naughty, stubborn sound. It was supposed to stay in the back part of the mouth. NG

had a brother N, who stayed in the front part of the mouth. NG always wanted to go with her brother and would never do her own work. Indeed, Mother Tongue did not bother to make NG do its work properly. It was too much effort for Mother Tongue to raise her back against Uncle Velum. It was far easier to press her tip against Aunt Alveoli.

So Mother Tongue had an easy time moving about any way she pleased and her children N and NG grew up to be so lazy that they could hardly be recognized. But one day Mother Tongue received a message from Father Brain that she must place herself correctly so that his children N and NG could be recognized distinctly. Mother Tongue was very much afraid of Father Brain; so she obeyed him. Every now and then Mother Tongue would forget her sound NG, but Father Brain reminded her very often and soon Mother Tongue naturally placed herself correctly and her sound NG became a beautiful distinct sound, easily distinguished from brother N.

REMEMBER-- In making the ng sound: Raise the back of the tongue against the soft palate, completely blocking the mouth; send the breath out through the nose, and let the vocal chords vibrate.

We thank Miss Aileen Corridon for the excellent cartoon she contributed to this issue. Miss Corridon has also made a funny strip, which, because of lack of space, has been held over until the next issue.

Dr. Barney, physical adviser, is in her office daily from 1:00 to 3:30.

Ask Any Housewife.

Miss Thompson--What is the most destructive force of modern times?
Mrs. Augustine--The laundry.

Minister--Who knows everything, children?

Johnny--My school teacher.

ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION FOR MED.

At last the S.F.S.T.C. has a Women's Athletic Association. Although it was formerly thought that the school could not have one, this year it was started. The girls surely showed their spirit by entering into it with all their enthusiasm.

An election was held October 21, at which Beth Clark, '21, was chosen President, Edith Recomini, '21, Vice-President, Rose Whelan, '21, Secretary, and Elsie Cox, '22, Recording Secretary. The object of the Association is to give every girl in the S.F.S.T.C. an opportunity to take part in some athletic activity. To make this possible, basketball and swimming have been started, and later tennis and baseball will begin. The girls are already appearing twice a week to practice for the interclass games to be played this semester.

It is urged that every girl join so me team for it is an aim of this College that the girls be developed physically as well as mentally.

SWIMMING BEGUN.

By E. Ginno.

The first swimming meeting was held in room 43, Wednesday, October 25th. Miss Gleason, the chairman, gave instructions concerning the entrance to Sutro Baths. Girls may obtain swimming slips from Miss Hale in her office, between 8:45 and 9:00 every morning except Thursday. On Thursday they may be obtained from 9:00 to 9:45.

Swimming practice is held every Thursday afternoon. One group, with Miss Gleason, will meet at Sutro Baths at 3 o'clock and by presenting the slips will be admitted for twenty-five cents. Miss Hale will meet another group at 3:45. Girls not accompanied by either Miss Gleason or Miss Hale must pay full charge of fifty cents, even if presenting slips. Therefore, ye

Seniors and Juniors, be there on time. Meet you at the tank Thursday!

JUNIOR BASKETBALL.

Given:

The Class of August '22.

To Prove: That it is a "peppy" class.

Proof: Every Monday and Wednesday afternoons at 3:45 a group of girls file down to the lower terrace dressed up on basketball togs. Who are they? Haven't you guessed yet? They are the Junior girls turning out for basketball practice.

Their object seems to be to get as hot and ruffled as possible during the process of tossing the ball into the basket. You may wonder why all this fuss, when said ball merely falls out the other end. The answer is obvious. They do it in order that it will fall out, so that they can throw it in again.

When the shades of night begin falling fast, the strenuous exercise of necessity stops, and a hungry group of girls troop homeward usually to a cold, or at best, a warmed over dinner.

Why all this exertion and inconvenience, you may ask? Here is the answer: The Juniors are going to have a basketball team at any cost, and if the girls turn out in the future as they have in the past, this will be no problem.

The Junior girls have a "peppy" class. Q.E.D.

AS WE SEE IT.

Twinkle, twinkle, little star,
How I wonder what you are,
Up above the world so high,
Like a diamond in the sky.

AS DR. RYPINS SEES IT.

Scintillate, scintillate, luminous constellation,

Interrogatively and inquiringly do I question.

Your constituent elements

In your prodigious altitudes above

The terrestrial sphere,

Similar to carbonaceous prismatic

Suspended in the celestial firmament.

MUSIC.

Under the leadership of Miss Randolph, a professional director, the orchestra is progressing rapidly. Those interested in this work meet every Tuesday evening from 7 o'clock to 9:30.

The music committee of the English Club plans to furnish some superior musical numbers at the future meetings.

"The Lady of Shallott", a cantata by Bendall, written in three parts and containing several soprano solos, will soon be presented by the Glee Club, which has organized with the following officers: President; Grace Roff; Vice-President, Elaine Spencer; Secretary, Alice Wilson.

PERSONALS.

The journalism section owes a great deal to Mrs. Myers for her untiring efforts toward the success of the first paper.

Miss Pouydesseau came from France not many years ago.

Mr. Y. C. Cheo, an experienced teacher in his own country, arrived only a month ago from China; and Miss Canellos, we understand, used to live in Greece.

Miss Pouydesseau has been kind enough to devote her time to drawing the very attractive representation of the word "Vigilante" which heads our paper.

Miss Schink, now teaching in the training school, has been invited to tell stories in the San Francisco Public Library on Library Day.

The roll books of both Miss Barrows and Dr. Augsburg have been mysteriously missing lately. Wonder who the guilty party is?

There must be a Harold Lloyd Club in this school judging by the goggles worn by so many of the girls.

PERSONALS (Cont'd.)Personal Pronouns.

First Student- I'm going to sue my English teacher for libel.

Second Student- What for?

First Student- She wrote on my English theme: "You have bad relatives and antecedents!"

There was quite a commotion in the Girls' Room about two weeks ago when Zita Aggeler was separated from her lovely locks. One of the girls did the foul deed, and her friends were heard giving advice as to how to break the news gently to the family.

And didn't we have a good time at the Hallowe'en Dance?

Did you all see that clever poster Miss McCrystle made for "The Vigilante"? Excellent work, and thanks!

BOOK CORNER.

"Let us fill the library with good books that will be read." This is the cry of the entering Juniors in Mrs. McKay's literature classes. They have realized that the good English they are driving for will be of little use unless it can be used to put into practice high ideals. These ideals are supplied largely through good literature. They feel, therefore, that a large supply of books should be available in the library.

Dr. Burke has consented to purchase any books provided they be worth while, and that they be read. The juniors recommended a list of books which they feel assured will be read. A committee of the girls investigated these books and compiled a reading list which was mimeographed and distributed at the English Club meeting October 12. This list contains only those books which touch upon the theme of the junior literature course, - The Ideals of Women Throughout the Ages. A more complete list is now being made. All these books will soon be added to the school library.